

APPENDIX A: PROCESS

APPROACH

The City of Lincoln and Lancaster County is preparing a new Comprehensive Plan to guide the community's future growth. The Greenprint is being prepared to serve as the framework for the Comprehensive Plan. The Greenprint is based, in part, on information provided from a Natural Resources GIS (NR-GIS) report, which was completed in January 2001. NR-GIS discussed various natural resources throughout the county including soils, surface water systems, wetlands, groundwater, wildlife, habitat and vegetation, topography, and climate. Four major themes were emphasized among all of the issues discussed in the NR-GIS summary report:

- Lancaster County is home to unique and highly sensitive biological communities
- Lancaster County is shaped by several major watersheds
- Lancaster County's evolving natural features can help the community decide where urban, rural and agricultural uses should be in the future
- All natural resources in Lancaster County are interconnected in a complex and sensitive network of systems.

Upon completion of the NR-GIS report, the development of the Greenprint planning process was initiated by the City of Lincoln-Lancaster County Planning Department, in close working cooperation with the Lincoln Parks and Recreation Department and the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District. All three entities have been and will continue to be actively involved throughout the development

and implementation of the plan. In addition, by virtue of extensive participation through the Greenprint Cabinet, members of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln faculty, and Nebraska Game and Parks Commission have contributed to the formulation of the Greenprint Challenge. City and County sponsored citizen volunteer committees, including the Lancaster County Ecological Committee. Each entity and every individual has been asked to contribute their unique expertise to the process with the goal of developing a broad based, unified plan.

The Greenprint has been developed under the concept of addressing broad issues that must be shared by numerous plan sponsors, plan stakeholders, political subdivisions, public and private land owners, adjacent County planning processes, and those who oversee and study the regional ecosystem.

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GREENPRINT WORKSHOPS

Meeting Date:

- January 3, 2001

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Meeting Dates:

- April 13, 2001
- April 27, 2001
- May 11, 2001
- June 8, 2001

LANCASTER COUNTY ECOLOGICAL COMMITTEE

Meeting Dates:

- May 1, 2001
- June 5, 2001

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE

Presentation Date:

- July 27, 2001

PLANNING COMMISSION

Presentation Date:

- August 8, 2001